(XXXII YEAR.)

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 1777.

PARIS, *February* 10.

ALTHOUGH the Turkish nation is not a commercial one, and consequently it can be of little consequence to those who trade in their country, yet their obstinacy in not executing the treaty with Russia, which obliges them to receive the Russian merchants, makes it apprehended that they will bring a war on themselves, which may be of worse consequences than the last.

Vienna, Feb. 8. We hear from Precop, that the rebellious Tartars in Crimea had laid a plot with the Bassa of Ocsakow, and the Nogai and Budziac Tartars, to assassinate all the Russians upon an appointed day, and to take possession of the places they occupied; but happily some of the faithful Tartars discovered the plot to the Russian commanders of Kerische and Genecale, who took precautions to prevent it.

By the last account from Constantinople, the differences between the Porte and Russia augment more and more, as the former is determined not to let the Russian ships pass into the Black-sea. The Russian minister has had a conference with the Grand Vizir, in which he laid before him all the complaints which his court had against the Porte; among the rest, that they were hindered from erecting churches in Wallachia, Moldavia, and Crimea; to all which the Grand Vizir very coolly answered, that the Grand Signior, his master, did not think himself obliged to adhere to all the agreements made by the late Grand Vizir, who was so superannuated that he did not know what he did.

Madrid, Jan. 27. Orders are sent to all our seaports, to return the salutes of the Russian ships, gun for gun, and to furnish them with every thing they may want.

LONDON, *February* 25.

On Saturday the guards which were drafted off, to go to America, marched from the parade in St. James's Park to the foot of London-bridge, where they took water to go on board the transports.

Extract of a letter from Lisbon, Feb. 25.

"On the 21st instant, the prince of Beira was married to his aunt the princess Maria Teresa; and on the 23d, departed this life, Joseph I, king of Portugal. The prince of Brazil was proclaimed king, and the prisoners in all the prisons (as usual on the accession of a new king) were set at liberty."

An hundred men have been drafted from the artillery at Dublin, who are now on their march to Corke, to embark there for America.

Extract of a letter from Amsterdam, March 15.

"We have just received advice, that the reinforcements from Hesse are to march from hence on Monday next, so that we may soon expect them at Doredicht, where 16 sail of British transports are lying ready to receive them, to carry them to Spithead, to join the fleet bound to New-York."

General Clinton, and lord T. P. Clinton, are to embark the week after next, on their voyage to America.

March 20. Saturday 100 of Burgoyne's light horse embarked at Gosport for America; and same day his majesty's ship Romney sailed for Spithead.

Lord North is so well recovered, that he is expected in town from Bushy-Park, in order to preside at a board of treasury.

General Burgoyne took leave of his majesty yesterday at the levee, and to-morrow morning sets off for Portsmouth, where a frigate lies ready to take him to America.

Yesterday general Robinson, who arrived at lord George Germaine's on Wednesday night, from New-York, was introduced to his majesty by lord Amherst, and most graciously received; he had the honour of a long conference with the king.

Extract of a letter from Chatham, March 21.

"Yesterday morning orders were received at the commissioners offices in this dock-yard, for the following ships to be fitted for sea at this port with the greatest expedition, viz. Sultan (a new ship) of 74 guns; Russel, of 74; Cornwall, of 74; Trident, of 64; and Stirling-Castle (a new ship) of 64 guns, exclusive of the other ships which were before ordered."

CHARLESTOWN, (*S. C.*) *April* 28.

We have just now learnt, that the fleet to sail from Jamaica, on or about the first of May, will consist of 176 sail, very richly laden, having on board, besides their usual cargoes of sugar, rum, cotton, coffee, &c. a large quantity of Carolina indico, purchased in the French islands; That they were to be convoyed as far as Bermuda, by the Maidstone and Winchelsea frigates of 26 guns each, the Badger and Porcupine sloops, of 16 and 14 guns, and the Racehorse armed vessel of 10 three pounders; and, from Bermuda home, by the Maidstone. This information was obtained by the master of a vessel, who on the 13th instant met, and under English colours sailed several days in company with a sloop from Kingston, in Jamaica, Isaac Cobb, master, cleared for Halifax, and furnished with American as well as Jamaica papers: There were at the same time in sight, off the Havannah, coming through the gulph, a ship of 12 six pounders, with 40 men, one Forster, master, from Kingston, bound for London, having a good deal of specie and indico on board, said to be worth 100,000l. sterling, and a brig of 8 guns, full of bale goods, one Freebody, master, cleared for Dalkey, also furnished with British and American papers, but belonging to said Freebody, and a Mr. Dolbier, of Jamaica, which vessels, it is supposed, have not yet passed this coast.

It has been hinted to us, that there are many agents dispersed throughout this continent, some from Jamaica, who came through Hispaniola, and others from St. Kitt's, Antigua, &c. who came through St. Eustatius, for *intelligence*, and to reap some of the fruits of the American trade; For which purpose Dutch or French vessels are purchased by some at foreign islands, and appear as the property of foreigners; and others come through foreign ports, under the disguise of persons that have been taken, thereby gaining confidence, and transacting their business with the greatest facility.

May 5. By a gentleman who left Nantz the 6th of March, we learn, that the ship Hope, capt. Hatter, was safe arrived there from hence. That Gideon Dupont, Esq; of this state, was still detained a prisoner at Gibraltar.

It is the opinion of some, that the courts of France and Spain will not formally declare war against Great-Britain, until they are ready to fall on Jamaica and Grenada at once; those powers having, in the course of last year, transported near 30,000 troops to the West-Indies, and provided ample magazines of provisions and stores for that number.

On Thursday last very favourable accounts were received from the Creek nation of Indians—a nation that has been long and assiduously tampered with, and stirred up, by British agents, to commit those barbarities upon us, which the English nation formerly could not even bear to hear of without being struck with horror.

NEWBERN (*N. C*) *May* 9.

The Brune, a frigate of 36 guns, and the Merlin, of 20 guns, two of his tyrannic majesty's ships of war, are now cruising on this coast, having lately taken nine vessels between Ocracock and Cape-Fear, which they immediately burnt. They landed some of their prisoners at Cape-Fear, where they put in to water, having on board a renegado American pilot, who served his time in Cape-Fear river. The prisoners say the ships are not half manned, and that they met with great insults and savage usage from the *humane* and *polite* English officers and seamen, and were stripped of their money and cloaths.

BOSTON, *May* 15.

Last week arrived at a safe port, a prize ship, taken by a privateer commanded by capt. Wigglesworth. She was bound from London for the West-Indies, has a cargo of dry goods, to a very large amount, one invoice amounts to 4600l. sterling.

A gentleman arrived in town yesterday from Albany informs, that general Gates's army at Ticonderoga consists of between 5 and 6000 troops, who are all in health and high spirits; that the Canadians were disaffected with the British troops, and had burnt most or all their stores at St. John's.

STATE of MASSACHUSETTS-BAY.

COUNCIL-CHAMBER, *May* 15, 1777.

WHEREAS it is of the utmost importance at this time, that the militia within this state should be equipped with every thing necessary, and hold themselves in readiness to march at a minute's warning:

Therefore *Ordered*, That all the militia within this state, from sixteen years old and upwards, be and are hereby directed immediately to equip themselves with every thing necessary for immediate action, and to hold themselves in readiness to march, at a minute's warning, to any place within this or any of the United States that may hereafter be attacked by our unjust and cruel enemies.—And the selectmen of the several towns are directed to provide town-stocks of ammunition; and, in case the militia march, to forward provisions, &c. to them, agreeable to the militia law.—And each brigadier within this state, that has not already furnished his brigade with field-pieces, round and canister shot, powder and cartridges for the same, as is directed by the militia law of this state, are also hereby directed to provide them immediately, agreeable to the act aforesaid.

A true copy,
Attest. JOHN AVERY, Dep. Sec.

PROVIDENCE, *Rhode-Island, May* 17.

Sunday last one Martin, a well known itinerant preacher, was apprehended here, and committed to close keeping, being charged with attempting to retail commissions for general Howe, in Connecticut, to which state he hath been since sent, under a proper guard.

On Monday last 13 sail of square-rigged vessels arrived at Newport from New-York. A seaman, who escaped from the last-mentioned place the day after they sailed, is arrived here, and informs, that the above vessels have not brought many troops, as was at first conjectured; but that they are to take on board part of those that have been stationed on Rhode-Island. He also informs, that fresh provisions are very scarce and dear at New-York; that the tories who go there for *protection*, have their choice either to bear arms or be committed to gaol; and that he saw 40 wounded officers who had been in the Danbury expedition, landed at that place from one vessel.

The same day a person by the name of Hart was taken at Exeter, and committed to gaol here as a spy. A number of counterfeit forty-eight shilling bills, dated November, 1776, in imitation of the Massachusetts money of that date, were found on him, which he confesses he brought from New-York. He was yesterday tried by a court-martial, and we hear is to be executed this day at eleven o'clock.

Several other persons have been since apprehended in the southern part of this state, and committed to gaol, for passing counterfeit bills of the like kind.

Thursday night last a British soldier deserted from Rhode-Island. He informs, that some of the enemy were ordered to embark as this day, but with what view he does not pretend to say.

The account brought here last week of the arrival of the brig Cabot at Portsmouth, proves to be without foundation.

It is computed, that for every barrel of provisions destroyed by the enemy at Danbury, five others have been taken from them by the American cruisers within 9 months past.

FISH-KILL, *May* 19.

Extract of a letter from Morris-Town, dated May 15.

"We learn that our rangers, last week, found hid in the fields, at Paramus (in New-Jersey) six hundred weight of tea; also a coach and four horses in a stable, built on purpose, in a private place in the woods, supposed to be the property of William Bayard, Esq; or Gerard Dewint, of New-York; There were two or three servants left to take care of it."

Extract of a letter from Albany, dated May 16.

"The tory gang in this part of the country is entirely dispersed; however some of the most atrocious offenders are yet in some hidden corner of the country, I flatter myself however that they will all be apprehended, as the people are very vigilant and active, and well may they be so, for these deluded miscreants had determined, in case an opportunity should offer, to spare neither men, women nor children; but thank God, the ditch they had dug for others, they have at length fallen in themselves. Several of them have been tried, and others are trying. In due time I shall acquaint you with their names.

"About 300 Indians, of the different tribes of the Six Nations, are now in town, holding a conference with the commissioners. They have just opened a treaty; therefore cannot give a particular detail of their business. But this, from what I can learn, is their determined resolution, to maintain a strict neutrality—all we want."

Week before last, captain Roosa and his lieutenant, two noted tories, lately taken in arms, as they were marching towards the enemy, were hanged at Esopus (in this state) as a suitable reward for their treasonable practices.

PHILADELPHIA.

Extract of a letter from the camp at Middletown, dated May 27.

"A deserter, who is just arrived, informs that the enemy, in the engagement yesterday, had a lieutenant-colonel, and a lieutenant Connor, both in the guards, killed; that gen. Grant had his horse shot under him, and that they lost a considerable number of privates. Capt. Proctor directed our artillery with great conduct and bravery. We had none killed."

A letter from St. Eustatia, dated April 25, says, that an English frigate had taken a French brig from that port for Martinico, because she had a few guns in her hold for ballast; and that a French frigate had taken a Jamaica ship by way of retaliation for the ship Le Sain, taken by an English man of war.

Extract of a letter from the West-Indies, dated April 24.

"They are as busy in fitting out privateers at Martinico as if actually engaged in a war. Many very valuable prizes have been carried in there, and sold for the benefit of the captors. Indeed reprisals are made by the English and French on each other. On the arrival of a packet from France at Martinico, in a short passage, the general ordered all the English royalists to leave Martinico immediately, those only excepted whose necessary business may detain them, and they are obliged to find security for their good behaviour."

Extract of a letter from his excellency general Washington to congress, dated head-quarters, Middle-Brook camp, 31st May, 1777.

"——I have the pleasure to communicate a very agreeable piece of intelligence which I have received from general Parsons, of the destruction of 12 of the enemy's vessels in Sagg-Harbour, upon the east end of Long-Island. I give you his letter at length, which I think reflects high honour upon the conduct and bravery of colonel Meigs, his officers and men."

New-Haven, May 25, 1777.

DEAR GENERAL,

HAVING received information that the enemy were collecting forage, horses, &c. on the east end of Long-Island, I ordered a detachment from the several regiments then at this place; consisting of 1 major, 4 captains, viz. Throop, Pond, Mansfield and Savage, 9 subalterns, and 220 non-commissioned officers and privates, under the command of lieut. col. Meigs, to attack their different posts on that part of the island, and destroy the forage, &c. which they had collected. Col. Meigs embarked his men here in 13 whale-boats the 21st instant, and proceeded to Guilford; but the wind proving high, and the sea rough, could not pass the Sound until Friday the 23d: he left Guilford at one o'clock in the afternoon of the 23d with 170 of his detachment, under convoy of two armed sloops, and in company with another unarmed (to bring off prisoners) across the Sound to the North Branch of the island near Southhold; where he arrived about 6 o'clock in the evening. The enemy's troops on this branch of the island had marched for New-York two days before, but about 60 of the enemy remaining at a place called

Branch of the iſland, he ordered the whale-boats, with as many men as could be tranſported, acroſs the bay, over land to the bay, where they reimbarked to the number of 130, and about 12 o'clock arrived ſafe acroſs the bay, within about 4 miles of the harbour; where having ſecured the boats in the wood under the care of a guard, col. Meigs formed his little remaining detachment in proper order for attacking the different poſts and quarters of the enemy, and ſecuring the veſſels and forage at the ſame time. They marched in the greateſt order and ſilence; and at two o'clock arrived at the harbour: the ſeveral diviſions, with fixed bayonets, attacked the guards and poſts aſſigned them; whilſt capt. Thro p, with the detachment under his command, ſecured the veſſels and forage lying at the wharf: the alarm ſoon became general; when an armed ſchooner of 12 guns and 70 men, lying within 150 yards of the wharf, began a fire upon our troops (which continued without ceſſation for about three quarters of an hour) with grape and round ſhot; but the troops, with the greateſt intrepidity, returned the fire upon the ſchooner, and ſet fire to the veſſels and forage, and killed and captivated all the ſoldiers and ſailors, except about ſix, who made their eſcape under cover of the night. Twe ve brigs and ſloops, (one an armed veſſel with 12 guns) about 120 tons of preſſed hay, oats, corn, and other forage, 10 hhds. of rum, and a large quantity of other merch andize, were entirely conſumed. It gives me great ſatisfaction to hear the officers and ſoldiers, without exception, behaved with the greateſt bravery, order and intrepidity. Col. Meigs having finiſhed the buſineſs on which he was ſent, returned ſafe with all his men to Guilford by 2 o'clock, P. M. yeſterday, with 90 priſoners; having, in 25 hours by land and water, tranſported his men full 90 miles, and ſucceeded in his attempt beyond my moſt ſanguine expectations, without having a ſingle man killed or wounded. It gives me ſingular pleaſure to hear no diſpoſition appeared in any one ſoldier to plunder the inhabitants, or violate private property, in the ſmalleſt degree; and that, even the cloathing, and other articles, belonging to the priſoners, the ſoldiers, with a generoſity (not learned from Britiſh troops) have, with great cheerfulneſs, reſtored to them where they have fallen into their hands.

Major Humphry, who waits on your excellency with the account, was in the action with col. Meigs, and will be able to give any further neceſſary information. A liſt of the priſoners is incloſed.

I am, your excellency's
moſt obedient humble ſervant,
(Copy) SAM. H. PARSONS.
His excellency general Waſhington.

A liſt of priſoners taken at the eaſt end of Long-Iſland, by colonel Meigs.

1 captain (Raymond) 2 commiſſaries (Chew and Bell) 10 maſters of veſſels; 3 ſerjeants; 1 corporal; 45 privates; 27 ſeamen; 1 ſoldier ſick, whoſe parole was taken; in all 96 priſoners; and 6 killed.

June 2, 1777. *Publiſhed by order of congreſs,*
CHARLES THOMSON, ſecretary.

Extract of a letter from a place called Mount-Pleaſant, near Bound-Brook, May 29.

"On Monday laſt a party of our men gave the enemy a pretty little threſhing: The number on the enemy's ſide was ſuperior to ours. Gen. Lincoln, who commands at this poſt, had information the night before of their marching a body of between 6 and 700 men towards Bound Brook, we were immediately ordered to face them, which was done in a regular manner; we met them about 100 yards from the bridge, and drove them near three miles, till they got within their lines: They left ſeven men and three light-horſe, dead in the field; we had three men wounded, one of them mortally. We expect every moment to receive orders to attack them, or to hear they are moving towards us; we are very eaſy which way, as we flatter ourſelves we are ſtrong enough for them, and dare meet them when and where they pleaſe."

From New-York we are informed, that the Heſſians continue very ſickly and die faſt.—That thoſe perſons, who are friends to American independence, are ſeverely treated, eſpecially by the renegado Americans (alias tories)—that the Frenchmen, taken at ſea, in French or American veſſels, are confined in the Provoſt guard, and treated with great cruelty;—and that they now ſell the cargoes of the ſeveral French veſſels heretofore taken.

We can with pleaſure inform our readers, that gen. Waſhington has now received ſuch ſupplies of men, &c. that he has removed his head quarters from Morris-Town to Middle-Brook, on the eaſt ſide of the Rariton, within ſeven miles and an half of Brunſwick, where his army (which is not compoſed of ſoldiers, whoſe times of ſervice are continually expiring, but of thoſe enliſted for the war) are now encamped, and make a ſhow that muſt pleaſe every perſon who is not a tory.

From our poſts, near Middle-Brook, we are able to ſee and watch the movements of the enemy, who are encamped on Brunſwick hills, the weſt ſide of Rariton.

By a gentleman from Charleſtown, South-Carolina, we learn, that ſeven armed French veſſels, one of them mounting 20 guns, arrived there about the 5th of May.

We hear the enemy at Brunſwick have lately been reinforced with three brigades from Rhode-Iſland and New-York.

In CONGRESS, *May* 23, 1777.

The board of war reported, "That the board have had a conference with major-general Arnold, concerning the imputations upon his character contained in an hand-bill, dated Pittsfield, April 12, 1777, and ſubſcribed John Brown, laid before congreſs by the general, in his letter to the Preſident; that the general laid before the board a variety of original letters, orders, and other papers, which, together with the general's account of his conduct, confirmed by the relation of Mr. Carroll, one of the late commiſſioners in Canada, now a member of this board, have given entire ſatisfaction to this board, concerning the general's character and conduct, ſo cruelly and groundleſsly aſperſed in the publication aforeſaid."

Reſolved, That the ſaid report ſtand confirmed.

Extract from the minutes,
Publiſhed by order of Congreſs,
CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

In CONGRESS, *May* 29, 1777.

Reſolved, That no perſons, horſes, or carriages, going to the army with proviſions, and returning from thence, be preſſed on any pretence whatever.

Extract from the minutes,
CHARLES THOMSON, ſecretary.

Ordered, That this be publiſhed and continued in all the news papers.

In CONGRESS, *February* 25, 1777.

TO the end that the moſt ſpeedy ſtop may be put to the pernicious and unſoldierly practice of deſerting, and that ſuch offenders who receive the public money for ſervices that they deſign not to perform, may be certainly and ſpeedily carried back to the corps they have deſerted from, it is earneſtly recommended to the committees of obſervation or inſpection in theſe United States, that they cauſe diligent enquiry to be made in their reſpective counties or diſtricts; for all deſerters that may be lurking and harboured therein, and cauſe ſuch, whenever found, to be immediately ſecured and conveyed to the neareſt continental officer, and all ſuch officers are hereby directed to receive and ſecure ſuch deſerters, that they may be ſafely delivered to their reſpective regiments, and brought to a ſpeedy trial and exemplary puniſhment; and farther to pay to the perſons delivering ſuch deſerters, eight dollars for each deſerter ſo brought and delivered, and twelve ninetieths of a dollar, in lieu of expences, for every mile from the place where the deſerter was taken up, to the place where he is delivered to the officer.

ARTICLES OF WAR. SECTION VI.

Art. 1. All officers and ſoldiers, who having received pay, or having been duly inliſted in the ſervice of the United States ſhall be convicted of having deſerted the ſame, ſhall ſuffer death, or ſuch other puniſhment as by a court-martial ſhall be inflicted.

Art. 2. Any non-commiſſioned officer or ſoldier, who ſhall, without leave from his commanding officer, abſent himſelf from his troop or company, or from any detachment with which he ſhall be commanded, ſhall, upon being convicted thereof, be puniſhed according to the nature of his offence, at the diſcretion of a court-martial.

Art. 3. No non-commiſſioned officer or ſoldier ſhall inliſt himſelf in any other regiment, troop, or company, without a regular diſcharge from the regiment, troop or company, in which he laſt ſerved, on the penalty of being reputed a deſerter, and ſuffering accordingly: And in caſe any officer ſhall knowingly receive and entertain ſuch non-commiſſioned officer or ſoldier, or ſhall not, after his being diſcovered to be a deſerter, immediately confine him, and give notice thereof to the corps in which he laſt ſerved, he, the ſaid officer ſo offending, ſhall by a court-martial be caſhiered.

Ordered, That the foregoing reſolve, and the three articles of war, be publiſhed in the ſeveral news-papers for ſix months, and the ſeveral printers are hereby requeſted to publiſh them accordingly.

JOHN HANCOCK, Preſident.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 30.

Upwards of forty gentlemen and ladies of the Cherokee nation are now here on a negotiation of peace, which it is hoped will be laſting, and to requeſt a boundary line may be drawn to prevent enchroachments on their lands. They have had an audience, and it is expected a compact will be ſettled with them in a few days. Among them are Oconoſtoto, the Little Carpenter, the Pigeon, and other headmen and warriors. After the talk was concluded, they favoured the public with a dance on the green in front of the palace, where a conſiderable number of ſpectators, both male and female, were ageeably entertained.

The capes are now blocked up by the Phœnix, capt. Parker, the Senegal, the Raleigh armed brig of 12 guns and a ſloop of 10. They are ſo ſituated that it is almoſt impoſſible for veſſels bound in or out to eſcape them. Capt. Parker has determined not to ſend or receive any more flags.

The paſſengers bound to Great-Britain in the ſhip Albion, which in cuſtody of the Phœnix man of war, lying at cape Henry, are to have permiſſion to carry on board their baggage and neceſſaries, and proceed on the voyage; an event the paſſengers have not only long and impatiently wiſhed for, but have alſo been at much trouble and coſt in fitting out the veſſel, and preparing themſelves for departure.

The Brune and Merlin frigates were cruiſing on the coaſt of North-Carolina the beginning of this month, having taken nine veſſels between Ocracock and cape Fear, which they immediately burnt. They landed ſome of their priſoners at cape Fear, who ſay the ſhips are not half manned, that they met with great inſults and ſavage uſage from the officers and ſeamen, and were ſtripped of their money and cloaths.

Wedneſday Thomas Davis (late adjutant Davis) and ſix other tories and traitors, mounted in a waggon, under a proper guard, making a very *decent* appearance, paſſed down the ſtreet on their way to the public gaol, from Alexandria, where they are to remain for trial.

A certain capt. Murphy, in a ſloop from York river, was a few days ago detected in attempting to get to ſea without a clearance, having forged a permit. It appears likewiſe that he has defrauded the public of conſiderable ſums by forged draughts, which were ſo ingeniouſly executed as to leave no reaſon to doubt their being genuine.

The following is taken from HUGH GAINE'S *New York paper of May* 5.

By accounts from Albany we learn, that the committee of that city and county ſtill continue to perſecute the friends of government with unremitting induſtry: They have filled the City-hall, Fort-Orange, and the Preſbyterian Meeting-houſe, with thoſe who refuſe to take part in their rebellion, where they ſuffer every inconveniency and inſult that the implacable malice of thoſe daring imps can inflict.

We are informed, that Joyce, jun. mentioned in our laſt, under the Boſton head, about two weeks ſince, appeared early in the morning, maſked and armed, cap-a-pee, and paraded the ſtreets of that town, with a number of his heroic aſſociates, dragged ſix tories out of their beds, placed them on a cart, and drove them out of town; then tilting the cart ſuddenly, drew his warlike ſword, and with the voice of a Stentor, ſwore he would put every one of them to death if they ever entered again to enjoy their eſtates, or ſupport their families.

In conſequence of information received of the rebels having collected large magazines at Danbury, in Connecticut, a detachment of 2150 men from each of the following regiments, 4th, 15th, 23d, 27th, 44th, and 64th, a ſubaltern's command of dragoons, 300 of governor Brown's corps, and ſix 3 pounders, under the command of major-general Tryon, and brigadier-generals Agnew and ſir William Erſkine, proceeded up the Eaſt-River, and on Friday evening laſt, at 6 o'clock, landed at Compo-Point, near Norwalk. The debarkation being completed about ten, the troops got in motion, and after a march of 25 miles, arrived without oppoſition at Danbury, at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The remainder of that day, and part of next morning, were employed in deſtroying the ſtores, which were found to exceed their expectation. At nine o'clock they began their march back to the ſhipping, and proceeded without interruption until they approached Ridgefield, where they found a body of the rebels under the command of Mr. Arnold, who had fortified the entrance of the town, which they carried after ſmall oppoſition, with conſiderable loſs on the ſide of the rebels; the rear repulſing another body, who attacked them at the ſame time, under Mr. Wooſter. The troops continued their march next morning at four o'clock, the rebels firing on their flanks and rear, but from ſuch a diſtance as to do them little injury. About half a mile from the ſhips where the troops halted, part of the rebel army, which conſiſted of at leaſt four thouſand, kept up a heavy fire from behind ſtone walls, whilſt two columns made a ſhew of attacking; but part of the detachment charged them with fixed bayonets, and put them to a total rout, with conſiderable ſlaughter. The troops, after remaining ſome time upon the ground, embarked with the greateſt order and regularity, without further interruption from the rebels, who never ſhewed themſelves more.

The ſpirit and firmneſs ſhewn by the troops on this occaſion, does them infinite honour.

The loſs ſuſtained was 21 men killed, 10 officers and 80 men wounded, moſt of them ſlightly.

An account of the ſtores, ordnance, proviſions, &c. as nearly as could be aſcertained, found at the rebel ſtores, and deſtroyed by the king's troops at Danbury, &c. in Connecticut, April 27, 1777.

A quantity of ordnance ſtores, with iron, &c.
Four thouſand barrel of beef and pork,
One thouſand barrels of flour,
One hundred large tierces of biſcuit,
Eighty nine barrels of rice,
One hundred and twenty puncheons of rum,
Several large ſtores of wheat, oats, and Indian corn, in bulk, the quantity therefore could not poſſibly be aſcertained.
Thirty pipes of wine,
One hundred hogſheads of ſugar,
Fifty ditto of melaſſes,
Twenty caſks of coffee,
Fifteen large caſks filled with medicines of all kinds,
Ten barrels of ſaltpetre,
One thouſand and twenty tents and marquies,
A number of iron boilers,
A large quantity of hoſpital bedding, &c.
Engineer, pioneer, and carpenters tools,
A printing preſs complete,
Tar, tallow, &c.
Five thouſand pair of ſhoes and ſtockings.

At a mill between Ridgeberry and Ridgefield.

One hundred barrels of flour, and a quantity of Indian corn.

At the bridge over the weſt branch of Norwalk river, and in the woods contiguous.

One hundred hogſheads of rum,
Several cheſts of arms,
Paper cartridges,
Field forges,
Three hundred tents.

ANNAPOLIS, JUNE 12.

Mr. PRINTER,

TO encourage commerce, and to reduce the preſent exorbitant prices of the neceſſaries of life, I would propoſe that this ſtate ſhould eſtabliſh an INSURANCE-OFFICE, at the riſk of the public, on a fund of 60,000l.

The following calculations are ſubmitted to ſhew the benefit that would ariſe from ſuch an inſtitution.

		£.
Suppoſe that 20 veſſels are inſured, in the year, at an average of 3,000l. for ſhip and cargo		60,000
Suppoſe the premium of inſurance to be fixed not to exceed 35 per cent.		21,000
		81,000
Suppoſe one-third of thoſe veſſels are taken by the enemy, or loſt by accidents at ſea		20,000
		61,000
Suppoſe two commiſſioners, ſalary at 400l. per ann. each	800	1,000
Clerk to commiſſioners, his ſalary	200	
		60,000
If two-thirds of the veſſels arrive ſafe, their value would be 40,000l. one half of which I ſuppoſe to be in goods for ſale:—Under the preſent circumſtances of our trade, they would ſell at the enormous advance of 300 per cent. at the leaſt		120,000
Suppoſe the importers of thoſe goods were obliged, by law, to ſell them at 300 per cent. advance on the prime coſt. Profit to the vender, ſay 40 per cent. clear		80,000
Saved to the conſumers of thoſe goods		40,000

The difference in the prices of goods imported and ſold agreeable to the above eſtimate, would leave a clear gain to the public of 40,000l. per annum. Whenever *foreign* goods can be ſold here at 300 per cent. advance, all kind of *country* produce will be ſold at a reduced price, in proportion to ſuch advance on goods. If Maryland alone, or in conjunction with the neighbouring

ates, ſhould provide a naval force, ſufficient to protect ur trade in the Bay and through the Capes; and if it ould be eligible to inſure againſt the enemy *only*; the k would of courſe be leſſened, and the office, in that le, might gain conſiderably. But *immediate* gain to e office in *ready money* is not the object aimed at, for our circumſtances it is not to be expected; but if, adopting this ſcheme, the public will *eventually* ſave 0000l. per annum, it may be worth conſideration.

I have not time to conſider this ſubject ſo fully as I uld wiſh, but this imperfect ſketch may poſſibly be of me ſervice to the public.

Your humble ſervant,

A. B.

Annapolis, June 11, 1777.

In COUNCIL, Annapolis, June 4, 1777.

IT being repreſented, that many of the ſoldiers, who re enliſted in the Maryland battalion, have not joined e firſt regiment; and others, who were enliſted in the dependent companies, have not joined the ſecond giment; but that many of them are ſecreted and en-rtained by their acquaintances; It is therefore or-ered, that they immediately join ſome party of the firſt d ſecond regiments reſpectively: And the juſtices of e peace and other civil officers, and all other perſons, re requeſted to be vigilant in enforcing the act of aſ-mbly lately paſſed to prevent deſertion.

By order,

R. RIDGELY, Cl. Co.

In CONGRESS.

Reſolved, Baltimore, *Feb.* 26, 1777.

THAT an intereſt of ſix per cent. per annum be llowed on all ſums of money already borrowed, and reſted to be borrowed, on loan-office certificates, al-ough ſuch certificates mention only an intereſt of four er centum per annum.

Extract from the minutes,

CHARLES THOMSON, ſecr.

Annapolis, *April* 16, 1777.

THOMAS HARWOOD, jun. commiſſioner of the ntinental loan-office for this State, attends at the aſurer's office, Annapolis, for the purpoſe of bor-owing money agreeable to the above reſolve.

Annapolis, June 4, 1777.

THE Printer of this GAZETTE is under the diſa-greable neceſſity of informing his Cuſtomers, that the extraordinary advance in the price of paper, and every other material for the printing buſineſs, obliges him to raiſe his price to fifteen ſhillings per annum, which he intends to charge from the begin-ning of February laſt.—Thoſe who diſapprove of this meaſure, are requeſted to give him immediate notice thereof, to ſettle and pay off their reſpective accounts to the preſent time, at the old price, and have their names ſtruck out.—Such as do not give him this no-tice, he ſhall conclude agree to the advanced price, and their papers will be continued and ſent accordingly.

Perſons ſubſcribing for this paper from the above date to be charged fifteen ſhillings the year, and to pay ſeven ſhillings and ſixpence at the time of entering.

Alexandria, June 5, 1777.

IMPORTED, in the MOLLY, Captain ROBERT CONWAY, from Martinico, and to be SOLD at our ſtore in this town, for ready caſh,

SUNDRY GOODS; conſiſting of hard ware, ſtockings, ſhoes, ſacking, waiſtcoat patterns, blan-kets, and moleſſes.

JENIFER and HOOE.

Head of Severn, June 9, 1777.

To be SOLD at public vendue, on Tueſday the 17th inſtant, at 12 o'clock, at the houſe of capt. James Tootell,

SUNDRY likely country-born NEGROES, conſiſt-ing of men, women, and children—for ready con-tinental or convention money, by

JOSHUA LACKLAND.

For SALE,

TWO NEGROES, one a woman about 35 or 36 years of age, who underſtands ſpinning and knit-ting exceeding well, and all houſework; the other a lad about 18 years of age, an honeſt ſober fellow, uſed to plantation work; four very good cows and calves. The terms may be known, by applying to

w6 JOSEPH WILKINS, near Elk-Ridge church.

June 10, 1777.

To be LET, and entered upon in December next.

A LARGE PLANTATION near the city of An-napolis, lying upon navigable water; Contain-ing about one thouſand acres of land, chiefly cleared, whereon is a dwelling-houſe, kitchen, and other con-venient out-houſes, with a ſtable, good barn, and a mill-houſe, with two ſtills and a large copper, and plenty of good water and conveniences for malting, brewing, and ſtoring of grain; good paſturage and meadows; an apple and peach orchard. Leave will be given to any perſon that rents the ſaid plantation to ſow any quantity of grain at a ſeaſonable time. For terms, apply to the ſubſcriber, living in An-napolis.

w3 NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN, ſen.

WANTED on HIRE,

A SINGLE WOMAN, who can be well recom-mended, and is fond of children, to take care of a ſmall family in the city of Annapolis: High wages will be given. For further particulars enquire of the Printer. 3w

Calvert county, June 2, 1777.

COMMITTED to my cuſtody, as a runaway, a likely young NEGRO fellow, named Charles, appears to be about 20 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high: He ſays he belongs to capt. Bouchner, living near George-Town, in Prince-George's county. His maſter is requeſted to take him away, and pay charges to

JAMES MORSEL, jun. ſheriff.

THERE is in the poſſeſſion of Robert Tyler, Prince-George's county, taken up as a ſtray, a ſmall ſorrel MARE, about five or ſix years old, twelve hands and a half high, has a blaze in her face, long docked, and branded on the off buttock thus -o; ſhe trots and gallops, and is dull. The owner may have her again on proving his property, and paying charges.

FORTY DOLLARS REWARD.

June 5, 1777.

DESERTED, from the ſhip of war DEFENCE, George Cook, Eſq; commander, the two follow-ing perſons, viz. JOHN KELLY, and HENRY RIGBY.—KELLY is a Virginian born, about 25 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, much freckled, light brown hair, very talkative; Had on, when he deſerted, a half worn caſtor hat, a black and white country cloth jacket, a country linen ſhirt, and trou-ſers, old ſhoes and buckles; he laſt lived with a certain Robert Jarver, near Patuxent river, in St. Mary's county, Maryland.—HENRY RIGBY, born in St. Ma-ry's county, Maryland, well made, about 24 or 25 years of age, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, of a ſwarthy complexion, light brown hair ſhort and ſtrait, has been uſed to the ſea, and is very talkative when in liquor: Had on when he deſerted, a fronted cap bound with ſtraw, with the form of two muſkets athwart on the front, a ſhort country wove cotton jacket, and trouſers of the ſame, old ſhoes and buckles.——Who-ever takes up the ſaid deſerters and delivers them to the aforeſaid ſhip, or either of the gallies belonging to the ſtate of Maryland, ſhall be entitled to the above reward, or for either of them twenty dollars, and all reaſonable charges paid by the officer receiving him or them, per order,

VACHEL YATES, Lieutenant of marines on board the ſhip Defence.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED, a certain ANDREW WILLIAMS, a private in capt. William Campbell's company of matroſſes: He was born in Amſterdam, is about 28 years of age, about five feet ſix inches high, has ſhort light coloured hair, fair complexion, full faced, a long ſcar on the little finger of his left hand; he obtained a furlough the 25th of May laſt, and was ſeen in Balti-more a few days afterwards. Whoever takes up ſaid deſerter, and delivers him to the ſubſcriber, ſhall re-ceive the above reward.

WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Capt.

On Monday the 21ſt of July will be expoſed to SALE by auction, at the LODGE near the FERRY-HOUSE, oppoſite Alexandria,

THE valuable and well choſen LIBRARY of the Rev. Mr. BOUCHER, containing a com-plete ſet of the Greek and Latin Claſſics, Dictionaries, Lexicons, and a variety of other ſchool-books, enter-taining Miſcellanies and Novels, a choice collection of the Engliſh and French poets, the moſt approved writers on Agriculture, Biography, Chronology, Hiſtory, Geo-graphy, Mathematics, Philoſophy natural and moral, Law, Phyſic, and Divinity. Should the LIBRARY be diſpoſed of by wholeſale, before the day appointed, the public ſhall have timely notice.

At the ſaid time and place will be ſold a quantity of houſhold furniture, ſuch as beds, chairs, tables, &c. by

OVERTON CARR, Attorney for the Rev. JONATHAN BOUCHER.

To be SOLD,

A PHAETON, with HARNESS for a pair of HORSES. Enquire of the Printer.

Maryland, St. Mary's county, May 26, 1777.

To be SOLD to the beſt advantage, on the 2d Tueſday in July next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, pur-ſuant to the laſt will and teſtament of capt. JOHN BOND, deceaſed, on the premiſes,

ABOUT three hundred acres of level, valuable LAND, well timbered, with about one half of it cleared, and under a good fence; ſituated within a quarter of a mile of three creeks, famous for fiſh and oyſters, and within two miles of Wiccomico river, and about the ſame diſtance from Patowmack river; It is adapted for farmer or planter; near one hundred acres may be laid down this fall in grain: There is on the ſaid land a dwelling-houſe, with two rooms on the lower floor, and ſundry other out-houſes.—Any perſon deſirous of purchaſing, may view the premiſes, by ap-plying to capt. Gerard Bond, who lives adjoining to the ſaid land, and will ſhew the ſame. Any currency will be taken in payment.

4w THOMAS BOND, Executor.

Kent county, on Delaware, June 2, 1777.

LAND to be SOLD.

FIFTEEN hundred acres, lying in the aforeſaid county, within thirteen miles of a landing on De-laware-Bay, and within eight miles of Choptank bridge, Caroline county, Maryland, from which place produce is eaſily conveyed to any part of Cheſapeak-Bay. There are at leaſt 80 acres of bottom branch, partly ditched, and capable of making excellent Timothy-graſs grounds of; there are 6 tenements made and is capable of two more; part of them are large clearings and new grounds. The upland is of a loamy ſoil, in-termixed with pebble ſtones; it produces grain very kindly. The main road leading to the aforeſaid land-ing and bridge goes through the land. The whole is very level, and a fine out-range for all kinds of ſtock. The above will make three good ſettlements. Any perſon, or perſons, inclining to buy the whole, or greateſt part, may know the terms, by applying to Benſon Staunton, Eſq; Choptank-Bridge, Mr. Edward Dyear, near the premiſes, or the ſubſcriber, adjoining. Any currency will be received, provided it is a legal tender in the ſtate of Maryland.

w4 BENEDICT BRICE.

Kingſton (Jerſey) May 20, 1777.

ALL recruiting officers of the firſt Maryland regi-ment are ordered not to inliſt any convict or in-dented SERVANT, who is a foreigner (unleſs they are married to a native of this country) as none ſuch will be received after the publication hereof.

3w J. H. STONE, Col. of the 1ſt Maryland regiment.

June 4, 1777.

WHEREAS many of the ſoldiers belonging to the late ſeven independent companies of Maryland, who are incorporated, and now belonging to the 2d Maryland regiment, under my command, have ſecreted themſelves, and many of them have refuſed to join their regiment: Notice is hereby given to them, that if they come in by the 15th inſtant, they ſhall be par-doned, if not, a reward of TWENTY DOLLARS will be paid to any perſon, or perſons, who will apprehend and bring to Annapolis any of them after that day.

THOMAS PRICE, Col.

WANTED,

By the PUBLIC,

A NUMBER OF

LABOURERS.

Apply to MAJOR FULFORD.

Annapolis, June 3, 1777.

BROKE GAOL laſt night, the following priſoners, viz.

THOMAS BYRNE, committed on ſuſpicion of for-gery, about five feet eight inches high, of a dark complexion, long viſaged, black ſhort hair: Had on, when he made his eſcape, a felt hat, red ſilk handker-chief ſpotted with white, an old blue coat with ſhort ſkirts, a light coloured cloth jacket, regimental made, with buttons marked M country made ſhoes, with a M remarkable ſmall pair of braſs buckles in them.

NEGRO JEM, under ſentence of death, about five feet nine inches high, between fifty and ſixty years of age, and has a lump on his forehead ſomething like a wen: Had on, when he made his eſcape, a light-co-loured coat, turned up with white.

JOSEPH WILLIAMS, committed for want of ſe-curity for his good behaviour, about 30 years of age, 5 feet ten inches high, has ſhort light coloured hair, is of a ruddy complexion, and has thick lips: He is much given to liquor, and when intoxicated therewith is ex-ceedingly abuſive.—Any perſon who apprehends any of the above perſons, and ſecures them, ſo that they may be had again, ſhall receive five pounds reward for any or each of them.

Alſo committed to my cuſtody, as a runaway, a ne-gro man, named ISAAC, formerly the property of the above Joſeph Williams, and ſays he belongs to Benja-min Darby, of Montgomery county. His maſter is hereby requeſted to take him away and pay charges.

tf THOMAS DEALE, ſheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

EIGHTY DOLLARS REWARD.

May 21, 1777.

RAN away, laſt night, from the ſubſcriber, living on Elk-Ridge, in Anne-Arundel county, Mary-land, two ſervant men, viz.

JOHN SPENCER, a convict, for the term of ſeven years, four and a half of which he now has to ſerve; He was born in Scotland, and ſpeaks much in the dia-lect of that country; he is a houſe carpenter and joiner by trade, forty years of age, about five feet five inches high, of a ruddy complexion, with ſandy or reddiſh coloured hair and beard: Had on a ſtraw hat, lined with blue, a new coat, mixed with black and white, with ſide-pockets, and buttons covered with the ſame cloth, white jacket, nankeen breeches, and half worn ſhoes and ſtockings.

JOHN TUCKER, an indented ſervant for four years, near two of which he has to ſerve: He was born in England, is 30 years of age, about five feet one or two inches high, a weaver by trade, and has been ac-cuſtomed to take care of a griſt mill; he is of a brown complexion, with black hair and beard: Had on an old hat, old ſhirt, a country milled white jacket, black and white cloth breeches, and half worn ſhoes and ſtockings. Spencer has ſome caſh with him; and as they are both ſly and artful rogues, it is likely they may change their names and dreſs, and probably forge paſſes.——Whoever will apprehend the above de-ſcribed ſervants, and ſecure them in any gaol in the United States of America, ſo that their maſter may get them again, ſhall be entitled to the above reward; or fifty dollars for Spencer, and thirty dollars for Tucker, and reaſonable travelling expences, if brought home, paid by

6w H. RIDGELY.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

Maryland, Patuxent-river, Green's-Mills, May 29, 1777.

RAN away on the 26th inſtant, from the ſubſcriber, an Engliſh ſervant man, named SAMUEL LIAVES, about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, twenty-two or twenty-three years of age, light brown hair cut ſhort, has very little if any beard, has loſt one of his fore-teeth, and is very crooked in one of his knees, and ſpeaks in the weſt country dialect: Had on and took with him, two jackets, one of them a blue fear-nought, the other a white linſey, fore-parts, the hind-parts of a reddiſh colour, two country linen ſhirts, two pair of trouſers, country made, one pair of nailed ſhoes, about half worn, tied with ſtrings, and a Mon-mouth cap: He alſo took a ſmall iron-gray mare and ſaddle; the mare is branded on the near buttock with R G, and the tree of the ſaddle is broke acroſs the ſeat.—Whoever takes up the ſaid ſervant and mare and ſecures them, and gives notice to the ſubſcriber, if ten miles from home, ſhall have four dollars, if twenty miles, eight dollars, and if a greater diſtance, the above reward, or half for either of them; and if brought home, reaſonable charges will be allowed and paid, by

w3 WILLIAM GREEN.

May 27, 1777.

IF THOMAS PINDLE, a native of Maryland, who left Annapolis about two years ago (and en-tered on board, as I was informed, either the Colum-bus or Alfred veſſels of war, at Philadelphia) be now living, and will apply to his brother-in-law, Samuel Watſon, living near Annapolis, he will hear of ſome-thing to his advantage; and if he be dead, thanks will be returned to any one that will inform me of the ſame, under qualification.

6w SAMUEL WATSON.

THERE is at the plantation of Edmund Jennings, near Snowdens iron-works, taken up as a ſtray, a dark bay gelding, appears to be of the Engliſh blood, about fourteen hands high, trots and gallops, neither docked nor branded, ſhod all fours, his off hind foot is white, he appears to be about five or ſix years old. The owner may have him again, on proving his pro-perty and paying charges.

PATAPSCO SLITTING-MILL.

THIS is to inform the public, that the subscriber's MILL is compleatly finished, and now at work, where he sells NAIL RODS of all sorts, SHEET IRON, thick and thin, and HOOPING of any breadth or thickness, upon as good terms as they can be procured in any of the United States.

tf WILLIAM WHETCROFT.

N. B. A number of NAILORS are wanted, to whom great encouragement will be given, by W. W.

TICKETS

IN THE

AMERICAN STATES LOTTERY

TO BE SOLD BY

WALLACE AND DAVIDSON

IN

ANNAPOLIS.

Mount-Airy, April 29, 1777.

RAN away, the 19th of April, from the subscriber, living at Mount Airy, in Prince George's county, Maryland, HUGH MORRIS, a convict, a tailor by trade, has better than four years to serve; he is about five feet ten inches high, of a fair complexion, blue eyes, and brown hair which he ties behind; he has formerly been a soldier, and is much given to drink; he carried away with him a brown kersey frock coat, about half worn, an old brown striped cotton waistcoat, the hind part plaid, light brown fill'd country cloth breeches, yarn stockings, and country made shoes, he has several other cloaths with him; he likewise took with him his bedding, consisting of an osnabrig bed, a large rug, and a match coat blanket: It is supposed that he has got a forged pass with him. Whoever brings him to the subscriber, with his cloaths and bedding, if taken above twenty miles from home, shall have five pounds, besides what the law allows, with travelling charges; if a shorter distance, three pounds, with the same allowance, paid by

BENEDICT CALVERT.

THE high bred horse CARELESS will cover this season at Strawberry-hill, at three pounds a mare and five shillings the groom, if the mare is pastured; six dollars and five shillings the groom, if not pastured; or twenty shillings the single leap.

CARELESS is a fine bay, rising six years old, full fourteen hands three inches high, was got by col. Baylor's Fearnought, his dam by Dove, his grand-dam (the dam of King Herod) by Othello, his great-grand-dam by Old Spark, out of Queen Mab, a high bred imported mare, who was the dam of Old Mille, and col. Hopper's Pacolet.

N. B. The mares will be received by Thomas Williamson, who will take proper care of them, but not be answerable for any that may get away. tf

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SWEEPER

WILL cover MARES this season at col. Sharpe's plantation on the North side of Severn river, (seven miles from Annapolis) at three pounds currency a mare, and a dollar to the groom. He is 15 hands 2 inches and a half high. He is allowed by good judges to be a compleat horse; he was got by Dr. Hamilton's Figure, son of Old Figure, who was got by Standard. Sweeper's dam was got by Othello, son of Old Crab; his grand-dam by Morton's Traveller; his great-grand-dam col. Tasker's Selima, got by the Godolphin Arabian.

N. B. Good grass for mares at 2/6 per week; the money to be paid for the use of the horse at the time of covering. No mares lost out of the pasture will be accounted for. tf

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Annapolis, April 26, 1777.

PURSUANT to a resolve of the General Assembly, we hereby give notice, that we will attend on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of every week (and ofiner if required) at the house where the assembly is usually held, to audit and pass all accounts due from or to the state of Maryland: And all persons that have heretofore had public monies advanced to them, are requested to transmit their respective accounts to us of the expenditure thereof. The late treasurers, under the old government, are also requested to render an account of their proceedings, and the balances in their hands respectively, if any: And all committees of observation, and collectors of fines, are also requested to render an account of all monies by them respectively received.

THO. B. HODGKIN,
J. JOHNSON.

A clerk to the board is wanted. Any person, well qualified to act, may receive a salary of 125l. per ann.

I Beg leave to inform my acquaintance and others, that I have opened SCHOOL at the same place I taught about a year ago, at Mrs. Lansdale's plantation, in Prince-George's county, where I teach Greek, Latin, and the English language.—Any gentlemen or ladies, who shall think proper to entrust me with the tuition of their children, may depend I will exert all my abilities to make them masters of these so useful and necessary tongues, and shall at all times be very assiduous in teaching them to speak English correctly; the better to accomplish which, I propose having public examinations and rehearsals, twice or thrice a year, before gentlemen whom I shall select to visit my school regularly for that and also the purpose of laying down proper rules and orders by which my little academy shall be governed. My school is in a neighbourhood of great plenty, therefore board may be easily had. As to my moral character, I must refer strangers to those who know me: and as to my abilities as a teacher, I have to shew the very best credentials.

w4 THOMAS LLOYD.

N. B. Those gentlemen who have promised to favour me with their children are requested to send them as soon as possible.

TWELVE DOLLARS REWARD.

May 6, 1777.

DESERTED, from the 1st division of the 2d Maryland regiment, at the Head of Elk, on their march to Philadelphia, on or about the 24th of last month, a certain Daniel O'Boyle, alias Biles, born in Ireland, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, a smart, active, well made fellow; had on a blue coat faced with scarlet, blue waistcoat and breeches; he was inlisted in Cæcil county. The above reward, and one shilling per mile, will be paid, if delivered to lieutenant Hardman, in Philadelphia, or to the subscriber, in Annapolis.

w4 RICHARD GRACE, lieut.

TO COVER,

MARIUS,

STANDING at Mr. Carroll's plantation beyond Elk-Ridge, at four guineas a mare for the season, and a dollar currency to the groom. Send no mares unless the money be sent with them. There is good pasturage and good fences. Mr. Carroll will not be answerable should any mares chance to stray away.

May 2, 1777.

To be SOLD,

A LEASE, for twenty years, of a lot of ground, containing two acres and one perch, whereon there is a good dwelling-house with six rooms, three of them have fire-places, a good kitchen, a stable, a chair-house, a meat-house, and other convenient houses, a good cellar the length of the house, a large garden and yard well paled in: It is pleasantly situated on Patowmack river, about half a mile from Nanjemoy warehouses. There are about sixty acres of land all in wood, which he will sell to the person that buys the lot; it lies convenient for fire-wood. By applying to the subscriber, near Maryland-Point, on Patowmack river, may know the terms.

tf ROBERT KNOX.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

May 12, 1777.

RAN away in July last, from Mrs. Aletha Parker, near Piscataway, in Prince-George's county, a NEGRO man, named NACE, of a yellow complexion, thirty five years of age, about five feet seven or eight inches high, a thick well-made fellow, very artful and cunning, and it is very likely he is harbouring near Benedict, in Charles county, or in the lower parts of Calvert county, about St. Leonard's creek, as he has several acquaintances at both places. Whoever secures the above fellow in any gaol in this state, and gives notice thereof to the subscriber, shall have eight dollars, including what the law allows; and if brought to me at the Baltimore-Furnace, near Baltimore-Town, shall receive the above reward of twenty dollars from

w6 WALTER SMITH PARKER.

EIGHT DOLLARS REWARD.

Annapolis, April 18, 1777.

DESERTED from the ship DEFENCE, some time ago, BENJAMIN HOBBS, and was seen in this city the 16th instant: He is a thick, well-made fellow, about four feet five inches high, of a swarthy complexion, black hair that curls behind; had on a black jacket and a hunting-shirt under it, a pair of trousers, old stockings and shoes. Whoever takes up said Hobbs, and delivers him to the ship, shall be intitled to the above reward; and should the ship not be in the state, to be put on board some of the gallies.

GEO. COOK.

THERE are at the plantation of Charles Jones, on Clean-Drinking, Montgomery county, a stray COW and CALF, and two SHEEP, both ewes: The marks of one sheep are a crop, an under-piece and an over-piece in the right ear, and a crop in the left; the other has a crop and hole in the right ear, and an over-piece taken out of the left: The cow has a crop and slit in the right ear, and a crop in the left, red, and pied backed. The owner or owners may have them again, on proving their property and paying charges. w3

May 25, 1777.

To be SOLD at public vendue, to the highest bidder, on Saturday the 24th day of June next, at Mr. Thomas Richardson's tavern,

PART of a tract of LAND, called Waters's Purchase, containing 180 acres: Likewise part of a tract, called Maiden's-Fancy, containing 24 acres, situate near Patuxent river, within six miles of Snowdens iron-works, in the lower end of Montgomery county, Maryland, agreeable to the last will and testament of John Waters, of Prince-George's county, deceased. The soil is exceeding good, well timbered and watered; the title indisputable, and may be viewed, and terms known, any time before the sale, by applying to Samuel Waters, living near the land. The sale to begin at 12 o'clock, when due attendance will be given by

w3 SAMUEL WATERS, } Executors.
And ARNOLD WATERS, }

Annapolis, May 26, 1777.

DESERTED, from Capt. Anderson's company of Col. Thomas Price's regiment, the following men: NATHAN MADDEN, a spare made man; had on when he deserted, a brown coat faced with red, a brown cloth waistcoat, a pair of country linen trousers, a new castor hat, good shoes and stockings, dark brown hair very short, about five feet eight or nine inches high; he is country born, and about twenty-two years of age.

THOMAS BUCKLEY, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high; had on a white linen coat and waistcoat, white linen breeches, a country made shirt, thread stockings, and good shoes, a castor hat about half worn, light coloured short hair, about nineteen years of age, a country born man.—Whoever apprehends the said deserters, shall receive twenty dollars for each.

TAKEN up as a stray, at the plantation of the subscriber, in Frederick county, Tom's-Creek hundred, an iron-gray mare about three years old, with a star in her forehead, neither docked nor branded. The owner may have her on proving property and paying charges. w3 DANIEL M'CORMACK.

Annapolis, May 12, 1777.

NECESSITY COMPELS THE MEASURE.

THE term of the COPARTNERSHIP between WALLACE, DAVIDSON, AND JOHNSON, having expired on the first day of January last, and the present cruel and unjust war prosecuting by Great-Britain against the freedom of America, rendering it impracticable to renew the same; notice is hereby given, that by mutual consent the said PARTNERSHIP was dissolved on that day accordingly; It is necessary, therefore, our affairs be settled; wherefore we earnestly request all persons indebted to the concern in any manner, to make full and immediate payment, which has been too long neglected by many, who, taking advantage of the times,

from such conduct lenity ought not to be expected, yet such as have it not in their power immediately to settle their open accounts by payment, are, for the last time, desired to settle the same by bonds.

That branch of the business in the management of our Mr. JOHNSON, in London, will with fidelity be carefully attended to, until the completion thereof; and our friends experience of his past conduct will, we hope, sufficiently recommend him to their future favours, wherever his judgment, for mutual benefits, may direct him to settle. tf

WALLACE, DAVIDSON, AND JOHNSON.

May 21, 1777.

TAKEN from two deserters (as it is supposed) from some of the Virginia regiments, as they crossed the river Patowmack, a likely black MARE, about thirteen hands and a half high, five years old this spring, branded IG on her near shoulder and thigh, white face and hind feet, mane and forelocks lately trimmed, several saddle spots, and prodigious fine back. Whosoever owns the same may have her, by applying to the subscriber, living near Piscataway, and proving their property, and paying charges to

w3 JOSEPH MITCHELL, jun.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

Annapolis, May 27, 1777.

DESERTED, the 11th of January last, from Captain John Fulford's company of artillery, JAMES HARDESTY, a matross in said company; he is about 23 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches high, light complexion, short brown hair, gray eyes, has several small scars on his hands, and full faced: He obtained a furlough the 11th of January last, he being then sick, to go to his mother's, who lives in Calvert county, about three miles from Mr. Hillary Wilson's, has since recovered his health, and not returned.

Whoever takes up said deserter, brings him to Annapolis, and delivers him to the subscriber, shall receive the above reward. JOHN FULFORD.

TAKEN up some days past, opposite the Seven Mounts, above the mouth of Magothy, a carved-work BOAT, about 12 feet keel, with some of her plank started: The owner, proving his property, may have her again, on paying the charges of this advertisement, with some allowance to the negroes who took care of her.

JOHN TRIDGEL.

THE managers of the Lower Marlborough Academy LOTTERY have been obliged to postpone the drawing for a few weeks, on account of the small-pox prevailing in the neighbourhood of the school. The drawing will begin as soon as attendance can be given with safety to such as have not had that disorder, of which the public shall have notice in this Gazette. There are some tickets yet in the hands of the managers for sale.

May 13, 1777.

STOLEN or strayed from the subscriber, about the fourth day of April last, a black HORSE, with a star in his forehead, switch tail, paces, trots, and gallops, shod all round, about fourteen hands high, and nine years old; brand, if any, not perceptible. Whoever brings and delivers the said horse to me, at the city of Annapolis, shall receive twenty shillings, paid by w4 JAMES TAYLOR.

Annapolis, April 2, 1777.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of HUGH HENLEY, late of this city, deceased, are desired to exhibit them properly authenticated; and all persons indebted to the said estate, will, I expect as soon as convenient, make payment to

CORNELIUS GARRETSON, admr.

May 21, 1777.

NOTICE is hereby given, that there will be a petition presented to the next GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this state, by a number of the taxable inhabitants in Queen-Caroline parish, praying a division of the said parish.

WANTED,

A MILLER, capable of managing a merchant mill. Such a person may meet with encouragement by applying to the printer.

Annapolis, May 23, 1777.

THE subscriber, having the management of the TAN-YARD belonging to this state, will give encouraging prices for any quantity of sound green or dried hides, delivered in this city; where proper encouragement will be given to a good tanner, and the best price paid for shoe thread, by

WILLIAM GOLDSMITH.

Alexandria, April 26, 1777.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD

For apprehending the following prisoners, who made their escape last night, about 12 o'clock, viz.

BARTLETT GOODRICH, James Parker, George Blair, John Cunningham, John Rothery, Josiah Rogers, John Todd, William Nicholls, and John Duncan. It is expected they crossed the river Patowmack, as several horses are missing from Alexandria. The four first were inhabitants of or near Norfolk borough, Virginia.

Whoever apprehends the said prisoners, shall be paid the above reward, or in proportion for either of them.

tf ABRAHAM BURFORD.

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